

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A constant velocity joint in the form of counter-track joint having the following characteristics comprising:

[[[-]]] an outer joint part (12) which comprises comprising a first longitudinal axis (L_A) as well as an attaching end and an aperture end which are positioned axially opposite one another, and which comprises first outer ball tracks (22) and second outer ball tracks (24);

[[[-]]] an inner joint part (13) which comprises comprising a second longitudinal axis (L_I) and an attaching means mechanism for a shaft (17) pointing towards the aperture end of the outer joint part (12), and which comprises first inner ball tracks (23) and second inner ball tracks (25), wherein [[[-]]] the first outer ball tracks (22) and the first inner ball tracks (23) form first pairs of tracks (22, 23) which receive first balls (14), and [[[-]]] the second outer ball tracks (24) and the second inner ball tracks (25) form second pairs of tracks (24, 25) which receive second balls (15); and

[[[-]]] a ball cage (28) is positioned between the outer joint part (12) and the inner joint part (13) and comprises comprising circumferentially distributed first cage windows (18) each accommodating one of the first balls (14) and second circumferentially distributed cage windows (19) each accommodating one of the second balls (15),

[[[-]]] wherein, when the joint is in the aligned condition, the first pairs of tracks (22, 23) widen from the aperture end to the attaching end and, when the joint is in the aligned condition, the second pairs of tracks (24, 25) widen from the attaching end to the aperture end, and

[[[-]]] wherein the circumferential length (L_1) of the first cage windows (18) for the balls (14) in the first pairs of tracks (22, 23) is greater than the circumferential length (L_2) of the second cage windows (19) for the second balls (15) in the second pairs of tracks (24, 25).

2.-7. (cancelled)